IDAPA 58 - DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

58.01.01 - RULES FOR THE CONTROL OF AIR POLLUTION IN IDAHO

DOCKET NO. 58-0101-0901

NOTICE OF INTENT TO PROMULGATE RULES - NEGOTIATED RULEMAKING

AUTHORITY: In compliance with Section 67-5220, Idaho Code, and IDAPA 58.01.23, "Rules of Administrative Procedure Before the Board of Environmental Quality," Sections 810 through 815, notice is hereby given that this agency intends to promulgate a rule and desires public participation before publishing a proposed rule. This rulemaking action is authorized by Sections 39-105, 39-107, and 39-116B, Idaho Code.

METHOD OF PARTICIPATION: Those interested in participating in the negotiated rulemaking process are encouraged to attend the following meeting. For those who cannot participate by attending the meeting, information for submitting written comments is provided at the end of this notice.

MEETING SCHEDULE: The negotiated rulemaking meeting will be held as follows. The meeting locations will be connected by telephone. Individuals may also participate by telephone if requests to do so are made by January 30, 2009. For information regarding participation by telephone or scheduling of additional meetings, contact the undersigned.

February 3, 2009 - 9:30 am to 12:30 pm (Mountain Time)

Department of Environmental Quality Conference Room D 1410 N. Hilton, Boise, Idaho Department of Environmental Quality 2110 Ironwood Parkway Coeur d'Alene, Idaho

DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY: The purpose of this rulemaking is to implement Section 39-116B, Idaho Code, which requires DEQ to enter into rulemaking to establish the minimum requirements for a vehicle emissions testing program when ambient air quality concentrations are at or above 85% of a national ambient air quality standard and motor vehicle emissions constitute one of the two top contributing sources to the concentrations. These minimum requirements will assist affected local entities in determining whether to (1) enter into a joint powers agreement to implement the vehicle emissions testing. If local entities do not choose either one of the two options, DEQ must implement the vehicle emissions program.

The text of the rule will be drafted by DEQ in conjunction with a negotiating committee made up of persons having an interest in the development of this rule. Cities, counties, and all citizens in areas required to implement vehicle emissions testing may be interested in participating in this rulemaking. Upon conclusion of negotiations, DEQ intends to publish a proposed rule for public comment in the spring of 2009.

ASSISTANCE ON TECHNICAL QUESTIONS AND SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS: For assistance on questions concerning this rulemaking, contact Leonard Herr at leonard.herr@deq.idaho.gov, (208)373-0457.

For those who cannot participate by attending the scheduled meeting, written comments may be submitted by mail, fax or e-mail at the address below. For information regarding submission of written comments on drafts of the negotiated rule, and to receive the most recent version of the draft negotiated rule, contact the undersigned.

Dated this 18th day of November, 2008.

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